

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

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LISTING OF CLAIMS

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1. (Currently Amended) A power tool comprising, in combination:

a body which houses a motor, and a first output shaft operatively coupled to the motor; and

and an attachment for engagement with the body, wherein the attachment includes an input shaft for operative engagement with the first output shaft of the body when the attachment is engaged with the body, and wherein the attachment includes a further output shaft for transmitting rotational motion derived from rotational motion of the attachment input shaft;

wherein ~~the power tool characterised by~~ both the body and the attachment ~~having~~ have a respective epicyclic gear mechanism for causing a fixed gear change in rotational speed as between the input and the output of the respective gear mechanism, the combination of the body and the attachment thereby providing a power tool with a plurality of serially-coupled gear mechanisms.

2. (Original) A power tool according to claim 1, wherein the gear mechanism of the body is between the motor and the first output shaft.

3. (Original) A power tool according to claim 2, wherein the gear mechanism of the attachment is between the attachment input shaft and the further output shaft.

4. (Original) A power tool according to claim 1, wherein the ratio of input rotational speed to output rotational speed for each respective gear mechanism is fixed.

5. (Cancelled)

6. (Original) A power tool according to claim 1, wherein the first output shaft and the attachment input shaft are splined for axial engagement with each other.

7. (Original) A power tool according to claim 1, wherein the attachment is releasably engageable with the body.

8. (Original) A power tool according to claim 1, including a plurality of attachments, each one of which may operatively engage with the body.

9. (Previously Added) The power tool according to claim 1, wherein the gear mechanism of the body is operable to change a rotational ratio from the motor to the output shaft of the body.

10. (Previously Added) The power tool according to claim 1, wherein the gear mechanism of the attachment is operative for changing a rotational ratio from the output shaft of the body to an output of the attachment.

11. (Currently Amended) A power tool comprising:

a body having a motor disposed therein;

an attachment adapted to be selectively fixed to the body;

a first gear arrangement disposed within the body, the first gear arrangement operative for non-adjustably changing a rotational ratio from the motor to an output of the body; and


a second gear arrangement disposed within the attachment and including an epicyclic gear mechanism, the second gear arrangement engaging and driven by the first gear arrangement when the attachment is fixed to the body, the second gear arrangement operative for non-adjustably changing a rotational ratio from the output of the body to an output of the attachment.

12. (Previously Added) The power tool of Claim 11, wherein the body includes an output shaft driven by the motor, the output shaft being controlled by the first gear arrangement.

13. (Previously Added) The power tool of Claim 12, wherein the output shaft is operable to engage an input shaft disposed within the attachment.

14. (Previously Added) The power tool of Claim 13, wherein the input shaft is controlled by the second gear arrangement.

15. (Previously Added) The power tool of Claim 11, wherein the first gear arrangement and the second gear arrangement cooperate to mediate the rotational speed of the power tool.

 16. (Previously Added) The power tool of Claim 11, wherein the first gear arrangement is disposed between the motor and the attachment.

17. (Cancelled)
